



Maryland State Health Improvement Process (SHIP)

Health Action Newsletter

Friday, September 10, 2021

Please note the SHIP Newsletter is distributed on a bi-weekly basis.



Resource: *The Maryland Department of Health (MDH): Latest Updates on the COVID-19 Pandemic*

Visit several MDH websites for the most current information about COVID-19 and Maryland's ongoing response to the pandemic.

The MDH coronavirus.maryland.gov site provides daily updates on the rates of infection and hospitalizations by county, testing, vaccine information, nursing home data and schools data, in addition to contact tracing.

MDH [CovidLINK](#) is Maryland's public hub for information about COVID-19. It is another resource which allows us to better understand disease transmission, prevent new infection, and help slow the spread of COVID-19 by working together.

Event: *American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (ACS CAN) Annual Maryland Forum*

Thursday, September 16



The American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (ACS CAN) annual Maryland Forum is a FREE virtual event that brings together key leaders and decision makers in government, research, and academia to discuss the burden of colorectal cancer in Maryland and the path forward through research, oncology, education, and public policy.

The forum speakers will include:

- Showkat Bashir, MD, Gastroenterology, Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center
- David Mann, MD, PhD, Epidemiologist, Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities-Maryland Department of Health
- Kathleen Connors-Juras, Manager, Regional Cancer Control Strategic Partnership-American Cancer Society and Maryland Colorectal Cancer Taskforce

Co-Chair

- Lance Barbour, MPH, Senior Manager, State and Local Campaigns-ACS CAN

For more information, contact the Government Relations Director, Jocelyn Collins at jocelyn.collins@cancer.org or at (301) 254-0072.

For additional contents, visit: www.fightcancer.org/mdpolicyforum

Announcement: Tuition Reduction For Non-Resident Nursing Students

The Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC) has opened the 2021-2022 Tuition Reduction for Non-Resident Nursing Students application to non-Maryland residents. All applications and required documents can be submitted to the Office of Student Financial Assistance on a rolling basis.

To apply, applicants will need to create or log into their existing Maryland College Aid Processing System (MDCAPS) using the link [here](#). Once logged into the MDCAPS account, applicants can submit their applications and view any additional required documents using the "Apply" link.

For directions on how to upload additional required documents via the MHEC SECURE UPLOAD, visit: <https://mhec.maryland.gov/preparing/Pages/2-4-2021.aspx>

**Event: 2021 Public Health Law
Conference Building and Supporting
Healthy Communities for All**



Tuesday, September 21 — Thursday, September 23

This is a very important time for those in the public health community to convene to address the many health concerns heightened by the pandemic, and to continue to explore pathways to protect and empower the public health efforts.

Please plan to join the *2021 Public Health Law In-Person Conference*, held at the Hyatt Regency in Baltimore, MD. Safety protocols have been put in place, including the requirement that all attendees be vaccinated. In addition, a flexible registration cancellation policy has been implemented to allow for a refund should the number of COVID-19 cases nationwide increase to concerning levels resulting in a transition to a fully virtual conference.

The 2021 Public Health Law Conference will examine law and policy pathways to:

- Equitable COVID-19 Recovery
- Improving child and adolescent health
- Addressing environmental and climate challenges
- Eliminating the social and structural barriers to health equity
- Addressing critical issues like the ACA, opioids, mental health, gun violence, and vaccinations

- Strengthening the legal capacity of public health departments

For more information and to register, visit: www.events.networkforphl.org/2021-conference/

Opportunity: 2021-2022 Janet L. Hoffman Loan Assistance Repayment Program (LARP) Application

Friday, October 1



The Loan Assistance Repayment Program (LARP) is now open to Maryland residents providing public services in Maryland State or local governments as well as nonprofit organizations serving low-income populations or underserved communities.

Applicants must create an account with the Maryland College Aid Processing System (MDCAPS) or log into their existing MDCAPS accounts to complete and submit their applications. The instructions to upload electronic documents to the MDCAPS online portal can be found [here](#).

To create an account or log into an existing MDCAPS account, please visit:

<https://mdcaps.mhec.state.md.us/MDCAPS/login.aspx>

For more information on requirements or other state scholarship programs, visit:

<http://www.mhec.maryland.gov/>

Resources: 3RNET Healthcare Employment Opportunities for Employees and Employers

3RNet is a unique, national non-profit network focusing on healthcare jobs in rural and underserved communities. The mission of the network is to increase access to quality of healthcare through recruitment and retention of health care professionals and community-based training. Health care professionals can use 3RNet to search for healthcare jobs across the nation.



Register Today and Get a \$5 Gift Card! To register as a job seeker, click [here](#).

Registration is free for employers in Maryland and for interested health professionals looking to work in Maryland. Safety net facilities can post jobs in dozens of professions and specialties, while connect with job seekers through 3RNet.

The link for employers to register can be found [here](#).

For more information about 3RNet, visit: <https://www.3rnet.org/>

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